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***IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE***

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In re application of: Cannon et al.

Application No.: 09/864,927

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Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
GAMING MACHINES WITH A TOURNAMENT  
PLAY BONUS FEATURE

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**AMENDMENT**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 8, 2009, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.

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